setting up of an Indian Institute of Management (IIM) at Vishakhapatnam in Andhra Pradesh. The request would be considered as and when the Government of India decides to establish new IIMs in the country.

Funds to Telangana and Vemana Universities

151. SHRI RAVULA CHANDRA SEKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have released funds to- the Telangana and Vemana Universities in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the present status of functioning of the universities in Andhra Pradesh in comparison to other States;

(d) the courses offered by the universities; and

(e) the future action plan of the universities for the coming academic year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) and (b) The Telangana University and Vemana University do not figure in the list of Universities recognized under Section 2 (f) and 12B of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956, and as such are not eligible for financial assistance from the Central Government.

(c) There are at present 25 university level institutions in Andhra Pradesh, including three Central universities, four deemed to be universities and two institutions established under the State Act, as against total number of 397 such institutions in the country.

(d) The universities offer degree courses, as specified by the University Grants Commission (UGC) under Section 22 of the UGC Act, 1956.

(e) State universities prepare their own action plans and the Central Government do not exercise any control in the matter.

Problems in Education System

† 152. SHRI GIREESH KUMAR SANGHI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether competition for coaching irregularities, donations, capitation fees have overshadowed the education system in the country whose sole target is increasing percentage of marks, adversely affecting higher professional, medical and engineering education and real talent not being encouraged;

(b) whether Central and State Governments have not been taking necessary steps to prevent coaching, donation and capitation despite these being illegal;

(c) if so, whether Government are contemplating to take any effective steps in consultation and co-operation of State Governments; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.